## **AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:**

Please amend this application on page 1, line 2, by inserting the following new paragraph:

This is a continuation of Application No. 09/830,995, filed May 3, 2001, which claims benefit of priority under 35 U.S.C. § 120 of PCT/FR99/02601, filed on October 26, 1999, which is incorporated herein by reference.